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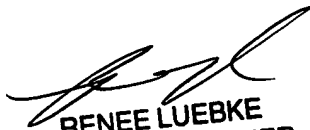
Applicant's amendment of April 24, 2003 has been received. Unfortunately, the examiner mailed a substitute rejection on April 23, 2003, after withdrawing the finality of the January 28, 2003 Office Action. The result is that the present amendment is non-responsive to the outstanding Office Action. Therefore, the amendment of April 24, 2003 will not be entered.

Applicant is reminded that the shortened statutory period set forth in the Office action mailed on April 23, 2003 continues to run. Any inconvenience is regretted.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to PhuongChi Nguyen whose telephone number is (703) 305-0729.

The examiner can normally be reach on Monday through Thursday from 8:AM to 4:30PM.

May 16, 2003.


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